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PAMBA ACTION PLAN
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Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government had sanctioned the `Pamba Action Plan` to clean river Pamba in Kerala, under its National River Conservation Plan (NRCP);

(b) if so, the details of the plan/prc ject that had been approved;

(c) whether the first phase of the act`.on plan has been taken up;

(d) if so, the; details of the work comp leted and yet to be completed;

(e) the probable date of completion of the entire project;

(f) whether the Government proposes to take up more rivers and lakes under NRCP in the coming financial yeai`; and

(g) if so, the details thereof, State-wise.

Answer

MINISTER STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI NAMO NARAIN MEENA)

(a) to (e) The Government has sanctioned the first phase of the Pamba Action Plan for pollution abatement in the river Pamba at Sabrimala and Pamba u:nder the Natior.ial River Conservation Plan (NRCP) at the cost of Rs. 18.45 crores. including the Central and State`s shares of Rs. 12.92 crores and Rs.5.53 crores respectively. The details of the approved works are enclosed at the Annexure. An amount of Rs.75 lakhs has been rele;;ised out of the Centra.`, share for implementation of the project. The component of the project sancti oned are at various stages of implementation with the expected completion of the first phase in 2007,

(f)&(g) The financial resources available with the Central Government are inadequate to complete t`ae present approved vrorks. Therefore, no further rivers are planned to be undertaken under the NRCP for the present. As regards the National Lake Conservation Plan (NLCP), an allocation of Rs. 220 crores was originally made under the NLCP during the X Plan period, out of which Rs. 103 crores have been released for implementation of conservation works in 37 lakes. Allocation of fund during the coming year.shall be subject to the progress of ongoing projects, utilization, of funds released and new proposals to be submitted by the State Governments.